TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-17**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA COMMENDING STATE SENATORS MERRITT, FORD, AND CRIDER FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH AARON'S LAW

WHEREAS, the number of annual accidental drug overdoses from heroin and other opioids like Oxycodone and Morphine has increased dramatically in recent years; and

WHEREAS, overdose intervention drugs have been developed that can immediately reverse an opiate overdose and prevent overdose death, and both the American Medical Association and American Public Health Association have policies supporting the wider availability of such overdose intervention drugs; and

WHEREAS, the Whitestown Town Council has previously implemented a program for Whitestown to administer overdose intervention drugs through the Whitestown Metropolitan Police Department and the Whitestown Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the 119th Indiana General Assembly has now enacted legislation authored by State Senators James Merritt, Jon Ford, and Michael Crider, designated as Senate Enrolled Act 406 and commonly known as "Aaron's Law", that establishes procedures and policies permitting a family member, a friend, or any other individual or entity in a position to assist an individual who is at risk of experiencing an opioid related overdose, to obtain and administer an overdose intervention drug; and

WHEREAS, State Senators Merritt, Ford, and Crider's efforts will help save lives in Indiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, that the Town Council, on behalf of Whitestown residents and businesses, hereby commends the exemplary service of State Senators Merritt, Ford, and Crider in their efforts to secure the enactment of Aaron's Law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE WHITESTOWN, INDIANA TOWN COUNCIL THIS 12th DAY OF MAY. 2015.

	THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA	YAY/NAY
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